

## CHAPTER XXX.

*An Act relating to the powers and duties of Commissioners appointed to take the acknowledgment of Deeds and other instruments in writing to be used in this State.*

- SECTION 1. Commissioners of Deeds, &c., in other States to be appointed and hold office at the pleasure of the Governor.
2. Instruments under seal of said Commissioners to be valid as if performed by officers in the State.
  3. Powers of Commissioners.
  4. Oath of office to be taken, and with a description or impression of seal, to be filed with Secretary of State.
  5. Act takes effect on passage.

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota :*

SECTION 1. That such Commissioners as the Governor shall appoint in any of the United States or Territories of the United States, to take the acknowledgment of Deeds or other instruments in writing to be used in this State, shall hold their office during the pleasure of the Governor, and they shall have power to take the acknowledgment and proofs of the execution of any deed or other conveyance or lease of any lands lying in this State, and of any contract, letter of Attorney, or any other writing under seal, or not, to be used or recorded in this State.

Commissioners in other states to be appointed by governor

SEC. 2. Such acknowledgment or proof so taken according to the laws of this State, and certified to by any such Commissioner under his seal of office and annexed to or endorsed on such instrument, shall have the same power and effect as if the the same had been made before any officer authorized to perform such acts in this State.

Their acts under seal legalized

SEC. 3. Every Commissioner appointed as before mentioned shall have power to administer an oath which may be lawfully required in this State to any person willing to take the same, and to take and duly certify all depositions to be used in any of the Courts of this State in conformity to the laws thereof, either on interrogatories proposed under a Commission from any Court of this State, or by consent of parties, or on legal notice given to the opposite party; and all such acts shall be as valid as if done and certified according to law by a proper officer in this State.

Powers of commissioners

SEC. 4. Every such Commissioner before performing any duty or exercising any power by virtue of his appointment, shall take and subscribe an oath or affirmation before a Judge or a Clerk of one of the Courts of Record of the State in which such Commissioner shall reside well and faithfully

Oath of office and filing of official seal

to execute and perform all the duties of such Commissioner, under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Minnesota, which oath with a description or impression of his seal of office shall be filed in the office of the Secretary of this State.

SEC. 5. This Act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

GEORGE BRADLEY,  
Speaker of the House of Representatives.  
WILLIAM HOLCOMBE,  
President of the Senate.

APPROVED—July twenty-two, eighteen hundred and fifty-eight.

HENRY H. SIBLEY.

SECRETARY'S OFFICE, Minnesota, }  
July 22, 1858. }

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of the original on file in this office.

FRANCIS BAASEN, Secretary of State.

## CHAPTER XXXI.

### *An Act for the Protection of Religious Meetings.*

- SECTION 1. Houses of Public Worship to be exempt from disturbance.
2. Penalty for offending, how recovered.
  3. Prohibits sale of liquors or goods within two miles of grove or camp meeting.
  4. Penalty for offending.
  5. Prohibits horse-racing, shows, gambling, or indecent behavior—penalty for offending.
  6. Parents and guardians liable for forfeiture of children and wards.
  7. Breakers of this Act may be tried before District Courts, the parties offending to be held in recognizance.
  8. Forfeiture of recognizance.—Procedure.
  9. Complaints may be made upon view or knowledge of violation of this Act before any Justice.
  10. Fines and penalties to be for the benefit of the School Fund of the County.
  11. Prosecutions to be commenced within sixty days.

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota :*

SECTION 1. No person shall on the first day of the week, commonly called the Lord's Day, within the walls of any house of public worship or near the same, behave rudely or indecently, whether in the time of public service, or between the forenoon or afternoon services, or if any person or per-

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